

From: [Crossland, Ronnie](#)
To: [McCorkhill, Michael](#)
Cc: [Smith, Monica](#); [Petersen, Chris](#)
Subject: Re: Collision in Houston Ship Channel -- RRT-6 ALERT
Date: Monday, March 09, 2015 3:00:10 PM

Auto correct messed it up.

FYI

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 9, 2015, at 2:55 PM, Crossland, Ronnie <Crossland.Ronnie@epa.gov> wrote:

Dying

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Crossland, Ronnie" <Crossland.Ronnie@epa.gov>
Date: March 9, 2015 at 2:30:22 PM CDT
To: "Edlund, Carl" <Edlund.Carl@epa.gov>
Cc: "Phillips, Pam" <phillips.pam@epa.gov>, "Petersen, Chris" <petersen.chris@epa.gov>, "Smith, Monica" <smith.monica@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Collision in Houston Ship Channel -- RRT-6 ALERT

Carl,

We are sending START to go out and do some air monitoring. Jhana is reaching out to USCG Houston for coordination.

Ronnie

-----Original Message-----

From: Crossland, Ronnie
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2015 2:22 PM
To: Edlund, Carl
Cc: Phillips, Pam; Petersen, Chris; Smith, Monica
Subject: RE: Collision in Houston Ship Channel -- RRT-6 ALERT
Carl,

I just checked local news and they are reporting that the Houston Ship Channel is closed and there is a shelter in place for Morgan's Point.

Ronnie

-----Original Message-----

From: Crossland, Ronnie
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2015 2:15 PM
To: Edlund, Carl



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Cc: Phillips, Pam; Petersen, Chris; Smith, Monica
Subject: FW: Collision in Houston Ship Channel -- RRT-6 ALERT
Carl,

This is a heads up. Apparently there has been a collision between two ships in the Houston Ship Channel. One contains MTBE. The USCG is responding and at this point they don't know how much MTBE has been released.

Thanks,
Ronnie

-----Original Message-----

From: Sams, Michael K CIV [<mailto:Michael.K.Sams@uscg.mil>]

Sent: Monday, March 09, 2015 2:09 PM

To: Crossland, Ronnie; Smith, Monica; Mason, Steve; Greg Pollock; Richard Arnhart; Steve Buschang; Karolien.Debusschere@la.gov; stephen_spencer@ios.doi.gov; charlie.henry@noaa.gov; Paige Doelling - NOAA Federal; Adam Davis - NOAA Federal; todd.m.peterson@uscg.mil; Tyndale, Adam J CIV; Dailey, Bryan E
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Subject: Collision in Houston Ship Channel -- RRT-6 ALERT

Good Afternoon,

We just received notification from Sector Houston-Galveston about a collision near Light 86 in the upper Houston Ship Channel (Morgan Point area). The 600 ft M/V Carla Maersk was loaded with 216,000 barrels of MTBE; unknown quantity released. The 623 ft M/V Conti Peridot is a bulk carrier (steel cargo).

Initial summary follows:

- Incident occurred at 1247 CT on Mon, 9 Mar 2015
- M/V Carla Maersk reports three port cargo tanks are breeched & leaking (unknown quantity released)
- No injuries reported
- M/V Conti Peridot damage is unknown; no discharge
- Tide is falling (high tide was within last hour)
- Fog is impacting ability to conduct overflight; USCG will arrange once weather permits

USCG is in initial assessment phase. I will provide additional details once obtained.

Pls let me know if I can answer any questions. Thx!

V/r,

Mike Sams

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